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Reformulated narrative of section 27C, Office of Human Resources Management, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In paragraph 326 of its report on its forty-first session,[1] the Committee for Programme and Coordination recommended that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to reformulate the programme narrative of section 27C, Office of Human Resources Management, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003,[2] in accordance with Assembly resolution 55/258 of 14 June 2001, and that the revised narrative be submitted to the Assembly for consideration at its fifty-sixth session.

2. Accordingly, the Secretariat has reviewed the programme narrative of section 27C in the light of the provisions of resolution 55/258. In order to reflect the overall objectives of the resolution more clearly, it is proposed that should the General Assembly decide to accept the recommendation of the Committee for Programme Coordination, it may wish to consider amending the proposed narrative of that section as follows:

(a) *Paragraph 27C.1*

At the end of the last sentence of the paragraph add the following text:

", as well as meet the expectations of Member States as set forth in General Assembly resolution 55/258 of 14 June 2001."

(b) *Paragraph 27C.4*

At the end of the paragraph add the following text:

"With its resolution 55/258, the Assembly largely endorsed the proposals of the Secretary-General contained in his report on human resources management reform (A/55/253 and Corr.1), including new approaches to recruitment, placement and promotion and mobility. It also emphasized the necessity for the United Nations to develop a culture of continuous learning and endorsed proposals concerning performance management and career development."

(c) *Paragraph 27C.5*

(i) In the first line, for "resolution 53/221" read "resolution 55/258"

(ii) In the fourth line, insert the word "robust" before the word "monitoring"

(d) *Paragraph 27C.6 (a)*

For "monitoring" read "robust monitoring mechanisms"

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(e) *Paragraph 27C.12*

Replace the second sentence with the following text:

"In accordance with the decisions of the General Assembly contained in its resolution 55/258, the Division will concentrate on the implementation of human resources management reform in the areas of its expertise and will work on improving and enhancing its control and monitoring mechanisms and procedures."

(f) *Paragraph 27C.16*

At the beginning of the paragraph insert the following text:

"In line with the human resources management reform goals approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 55/258 and"

(g) *Paragraph 27C.20*

At the beginning of the paragraph insert the following text:

"In line with the human resources management reform goals approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 55/258,"

(h) *Paragraph 27C.21*

At the beginning of the paragraph insert the following text:

"In accordance with the decisions of the General Assembly, including resolution 55/258,"

(i) *Paragraph 27C.26*

At the beginning of the paragraph insert the following text:

"In line with the human resources management reform goals approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 55/258,"

Notes

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 16* (A/56/16).

[2] A/56/6 (Sect. 27C).